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SUBJECT: PRESIDENT KAUNDA'S VISIT TO THE USSR

1. THE OTHER EVENING AT DINNER UNDER SECRETARY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AMBASSADOR ISAAC MANDA, WHO WILL BE IN ADVANCE PARTY LEAVING WEEKEND NOV 9 FOR RUSSIA IN PREPARATION FOR KAUNDA'S TRIP IN MID-NOVEMBER, TOLD ME RUSSIANS ARE PRESSING ZAMBIANS TO ENTER INTO SEVERAL BILATERAL AGREEMENTS DURING VISIT BUT GRZ IS RESISTING. MANDA SAID THERE PROBABLY WILL BE SOME EXCHANGE OF NOTES REGARDING ZAMBIA'S URGENT NEED FOR MANY TEACHERS AND DOCTORS (UPWARDS TO 100 IT IS RUMORED).

2. ASKED IF PROBLEMS OF SOUTHERN AFRICA WOULD BE DISCUSSED MANDA SAID THEY WOULD BE HIGH ON AGENDA LIST AS ZAMBIANS VERY ANNOYED WITH RUSSIAN SUPPORT OF MPLA LEADER NETO WHOM MANDA CONTENDS SOVIETS HAVE CORRUPTED AND "RUINED," MAKING HIM A DIVISIVE ELEMENT IN WAY OF ANGOLAN UNITY.

3. AT BREAKFAST FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY EASUM NOV 6, PRESIDENT ADMITTED HE HAD BEEN SUFFERING FROM FATIGUE
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AND UNDER DOCTOR'S ORDERS TO REST AND THAT HE GOING TO

RUSSIA WITH SOME RELUCTANCE.
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